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PICTURE OF DOLCE FAR NIENTE

Prosperous Citizen at Last Found a Man He Envied.

"I saw a man the other day that I envied," said a prosperous citizen, who didn't look as if he had much worry on his mind. "I was going down the river on an excursion steamer for a breath of air, when we passed a slow-sailing lumber schooner, that looked as if only designed for river traffic. The man that I envied was the only human being that I saw on the craft. He was seated aft on the deck, alongside the tiller, with one huge bare foot atop of the other. He wore on his head a big pointed straw hat of the dime variety, and his clothing in sight consisted of a pair of trousers held by one suspender, and a blue hickory shirt. He was alternately puffing away on a corn-cob pipe and taking bites out of a big red apple that he held in the other hand. He was too comfortable or tired-looking to handle the tiller with his hands, but just sitting there, he joggled it from side to side with the back of his head. There was a slow, easy grin on his face and the steam-boat passed by him. He didn't look as if he cared a darn.

"The wash of the steamer caught his small craft and bumped up and down, but he let 'er slicker and never moved from his position, but went right on puffing at his corn-cob and taking more bites out of his red apple. He was about as complete, all-set a picture of utter repose of body and mind, of the sort of dolce far niente that I've dreamed about, as ever I saw in the flesh. He just looked as if any old way the game came along would suit him. I couldn't help but wonder, as I gazed at him, whether he'd take the trouble to climb back to his boat in case he should accidentally get washed overboard.

"It made me at peace with myself and my surroundings just to look at that barefooted individual on the lumber schooner down the Potomac and, in thinking him over at odd times since, I can't figure it out that, even with the few little comforts that I contrive to extract from life, I've got any the best of him, even if I'm really as well off as he is. He didn't appear to care a whoop in Hoorayville whether he ever hung on to what he had, while I'm always bothering about what I'm never due to get, and there's just the difference. I sure did envy that peaceful-looking man, and I don't know but what I envy him yet."—Washington Post.

HE DODGED THE TIP.

Rather Rough on the Barber, but Customer Saved a Dime.

"Well, suh," said the barber as the man stepped out of the chair after having had his hair cut, "an' how does yo' all lak it, suh?"

The man stood before a looking-glass and surveyed his head carefully and admiringly.

"Well," he said, after a pause, "I've had my hair cut all over the world, and—"

"Yaas, suh," commented the black barber, delightedly.

"And by all kinds and colors of barbers, I've had my zanzas clipped in Hongkong, and I've had 'em razed in Port Said."

"Yaas, suh," gurgled the barber, feeling the tip already in his mitt.

"I've had ship's barbers in the South Seas reap my harvest of hirsute, and—"

"Yaas, indeed, suh," chimed in the overjoyed barber.

"And I've had my tresses toyed with by the artistic ducks on the Rue des Boulevard in Paris. But this—this—"

"Yaas, suh!" put in the barber, expectantly.

"This," continued the man, as he slipped on his coat, "is the very rottenest apology for a rough-house, hemp-chop that I ever saw in my life," and then he clapped on his hat, tossed the quarter to the barber, and fled.

"That was about the only way in the world," he muttered, as he got out into the open air, "that I could have ducked the necessity of coughing up to that barber the dime that I required so badly in my business."—Washington Post.

Watch This Experiment.

Now that Governor Murphy, of New Jersey, has signed the bill authorizing an expenditure of \$10,000 for the extermination of mosquitoes, the eyes of every entomologist and sanitarian in the world will be directed toward that state and to Professor J. B. Smith and his cohorts, with their batteries of coal oil cans and squirts. In Maryland it

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